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Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 02356.0077-01

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Andre CHOULIKA et al.

Serial No.: 09/713,017

Filed: November 16, 2000

For: NATURAL OR SYNTHETIC
RETROELEMENT SEQUENCE
ENABLING NUCLEOTIDE
SEQUENCE INSERTION INTO A
EUKARYOTIC CELL

Group Art Unit: 1635

Examiner: Janet L. Epps

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AMENDMENT

Applicants file this Amendment in response to the Office Action of April 30, 2003. A shortened statutory period for response will expire on May 30, 2003.

Applicants' Amendment of February 14, 2003 did not comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.121(c) because the clean-copy of the amendments to claims 1 and 25 were inconsistent with the marked-up versions of these amendments.

In the present amendment, the marked-up and clean copies of claim 1 and 25 are consistent, and are responsive to the claim objection in the Office Action